

East Anglian Card Collectors Club

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31st October 2020 – Auction only

Another lockdown, another lock out for us, sorry no meeting in November and as the December meeting planned for the 19th is just 4 weeks later, we have taken the decision to cancel that as well.

This means a local charity will miss out on the proceeds of our Christmas Raffle but that reflects the state of the country at the moment. Maybe we might be getting back to near normal early next year and so might think in terms of a Easter Charity raffle, we will see.

The good news is the Auctions will continue as Postal only for these two month's. It has been well received and supported so we will continue in this vein for November and December. The lists were circulated last month. Get your bids in to Alan as soon as possible. Don't forget if the lot isnt what you expected you can return it, no problem. For the DECEMBER auction as a gift for the festive season the club is offering FREE postage for any won lots. So come on get your bids in.

The October auction was well supported by 26 successful bidders spending £2129, unfortunately we had over 120 without a bidder so were unsold. Top seller was Lot 145 a lovely set of Stephen Mitchell River & Coastal Steamers who sailed away for £75. Alan and I are busy sorting out lots for next year, he has the first four month's complete and as we have taken delivery of two ex members large collections, have enough to be listing up to autumn 2021. At least it is keeping us busy in lockdown.

The new Murray's catalogue is out and I have a couple dozen copies for members to buy. – Remember it is the one we all use. Cost to members is £10, if you want me to post you one please send a cheque for £12.50. The club will make a little from the sales but we had to pay courier costs this year. The book prices will be applicable for two years (2021/22)

I know a lot of members are missing the club, the social contact, the friendship, the thrill of looking for that elusive odd card, it's difficult for all of us, a lot of clubs wont survive these continual shutdowns but we are determined that EACCC will get through and live to fight another day. It might change, it might be different, but we had something good and successful pre covid and we will have again if the members have anything to do with it. I will try and do my bit by keeping the newsletters flowing, Alan will keep the auctions moving, you can do your bit by keeping in touch and by bidding in the auction.

Stay safe and well, and I sincerely hope we can reopen on Saturday 16th January 2020. Have a good Christmas and lets all hope that 2021 will be better for everyone.

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